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In re application of: M. Shima, T. Koide, K. Hosokawa, T. Suzuki and
M. Nagata

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111 TO EXAMINER'S ACTION OF OCTOBER 6, 2004

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action mailed October 15, 2004, the following remarks are being submitted by Applicants for consideration by the Examiner.

Applicant's Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.